## Congress of the United States Washington, DC 20515

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The Honorable Kay Granger Chairwoman House Appropriations Committee H-307 The Capitol Washington, D.C. 20515 The Honorable Rosa L. DeLauro Ranking Member House Appropriations Committee 1036 Longworth House Office Building Washington, D.C. 20515

Dear Chairwoman Granger and Ranking Member DeLauro:

I am requesting funding for the Scotch Plains Emergency Operations center in the Township of Scotch Plains, New Jersey in fiscal year 2024. The entity to receive funding for this project is the Township of Scotch Plains, NJ, located at 430 Park Avenue, Scotch Plains, NJ 07076. The funding would be used for the Township to do construction and renovate an existing building to house the new Emergency Operations Center. The project is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds because this project will ensure the Township has the resources it needs to respond to emergencies and will centrally-located for those in need of assistance. Moreover, this project will improve the health, safety, and welfare of all Scotch Plains residents.

This project has a federal nexus because the funding provided is for purposes authorized by section 614 of the Robert T. Stafford Disaster Relief and Emergency Assistance Act (42 U.S.C. 519c), as amended by section 202 of the Implementing Recommendations of the 9/11 Commission Act of 2007 (9/11 Act).

I certify that I have no financial interest in this project, and neither does anyone in my immediate family."

Sincerely,

Thomas H. Kean, Jr.
Member of Congress